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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: WRAPUP 1300 SEPT 18

1. EVENING AND NIGHT SEPT 17 PASSED WITH WELCOME CALM AND FEW REPORTS GUNFIRE IN CENTRAL AREA SANTIAGO OR IN SUBURBS. LONG BREAD LINES AS USUAL SEPT 18 BUT ALL OTHER COMMERCE CLOSED FOR NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

2. NEW SEC GEN GOC PEDRO EWING HODAR FACED FOREIGN AND NATIONAL PRESS IN PRESS CONFERENCE HELD HOTEL CARRERA SEPT 17.

3. EWING CLAIMED ONLY 95 DEAD WITH 4,700 PRESENTLY DETAINED. BREAKDOWN DEAD IS 72 CIVILIAN, 14 CARABINEROS, 9 MILITARY WITH ONLY ONE IDENTIFIED AS EX GEN DIRECTOR INVESTIGACION EDUARDO "COCO" PARAEDES, WHO WAS SHOT BY CARABINEROS AS HE "WAS FLEEING WITH A DETECTIVE." EWING LABELED RUMORS THAT 70,000 WERE PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY AS FALSE. HE ALSO CLAIMED RUMORS THAT MILITARY EXECUTING LARGE NUMBER OF PRISONERS WERE FALSE BUT ADMITTED THREE SUCH INCIDENTS.

4. EWING CLAIMED ALLENDE WAS OFFERED "PROTECTION". "UNTIL A FEW  
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MINUTES BEFORE HE TOOK HIS OWN LIFE. "THE AIR AIDE DE CAMP OFFERED A PLANE TO FLY HIM OUT OF THE COUNTRY."

5. GENERAL PINOCHET AND OTHER JUNGAL MEMBERS APPEARED ON TV EVENING SEPT 17 AND ALSO GRANTED PRESS CONFERENCE URGING

COOPERATION ALL CHILEANS WORK TOGETHER TO RESTORE COUNTRY TO FORMER LEVELS PROSPERITY. PINOCHET EMPHASIZED THAT PRESENT GOVERNMENT WOULD ESTABLISH NO TIES WITH ANY POLITICAL PARTY AND WOULD ACCEPT COLLABORATION ONLY OF HIGH LEVEL TECHNICIANS WILLING LAY ASIDE PARTY LOYALTIES. HE PREDICTED THAT IN COMING WEEK COUNTRY WOULD RETURN "IN GREAT PART" TO NORMAL. BOTH APPEARANCES CLIMAXED BY FIRM WARNING THAT AUTHORITIES WOULD OFFER FIRM RESPONSE TO AGITATORS, EXTREMISTS AND MARXISTS.

6. EMBASSY HAS UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VISITED CHILE ON SEPT 16.

WE ARE ALSO TOLD THAT PRESIDENT BANNER SENT SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE WHO MET WITH FONMIN HUERTA SEPT 17.  
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